

## **Saratoga By Carl Mellor**

Indians for hundreds of years made pilgrimages to Saratoga Springs. They believed that to bathe in these mineral springs would cause a renewal of their soul.

Parley P. Pratt, led an exploring party to Saratoga. In 1860, John Naegle, a German convert to Mormonism and a member of the Mormon Battalion purchased the area surrounding the hot springs and paid for it with some of the gold he had panned in California.

In 1865, a John Beck leased the property and raised sheep and manufactured charcoal. John Beck had made his money at Bullion-Beck mine in the Tintic area. One thousand people attended his opening of Beck's